



Delridge-Highland Park Neighborhood Greenway



Open House
July 9, 2013



Tonight's Presentation

- What is a neighborhood greenway?
- Possible locations in Delridge-Highland Park
- Traffic data
- Natural drainage systems
- Project schedule
- Opportunity for input

What is a Neighborhood Greenway?

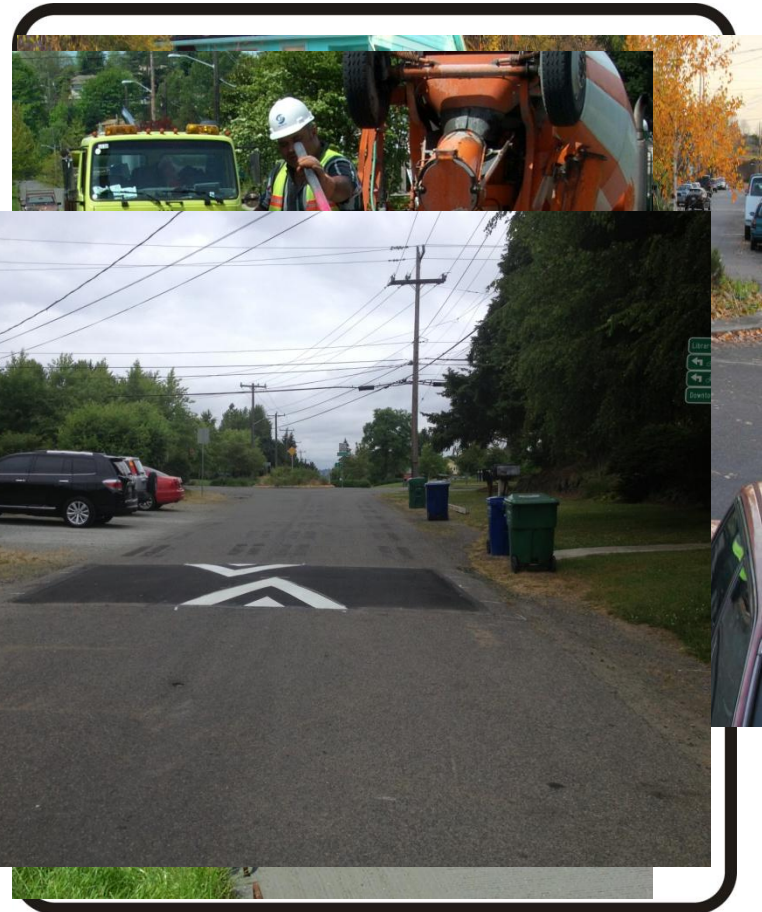
Safer more comfortable streets for people of all ages and abilities to walk and ride bikes.



Design Elements

Greenways can include some combination of the following:

- 20 mph and wayfinding signs
- Stop signs
- Bicycle pavement markings
- Pavement repairs
- Speed humps
- Crossing improvements at busy streets
- Bicycle parking
- Natural drainage systems



Best Locations

Residential streets with low car speeds and volumes and fewer hills



Residential streets that connect to schools, parks, libraries and shops

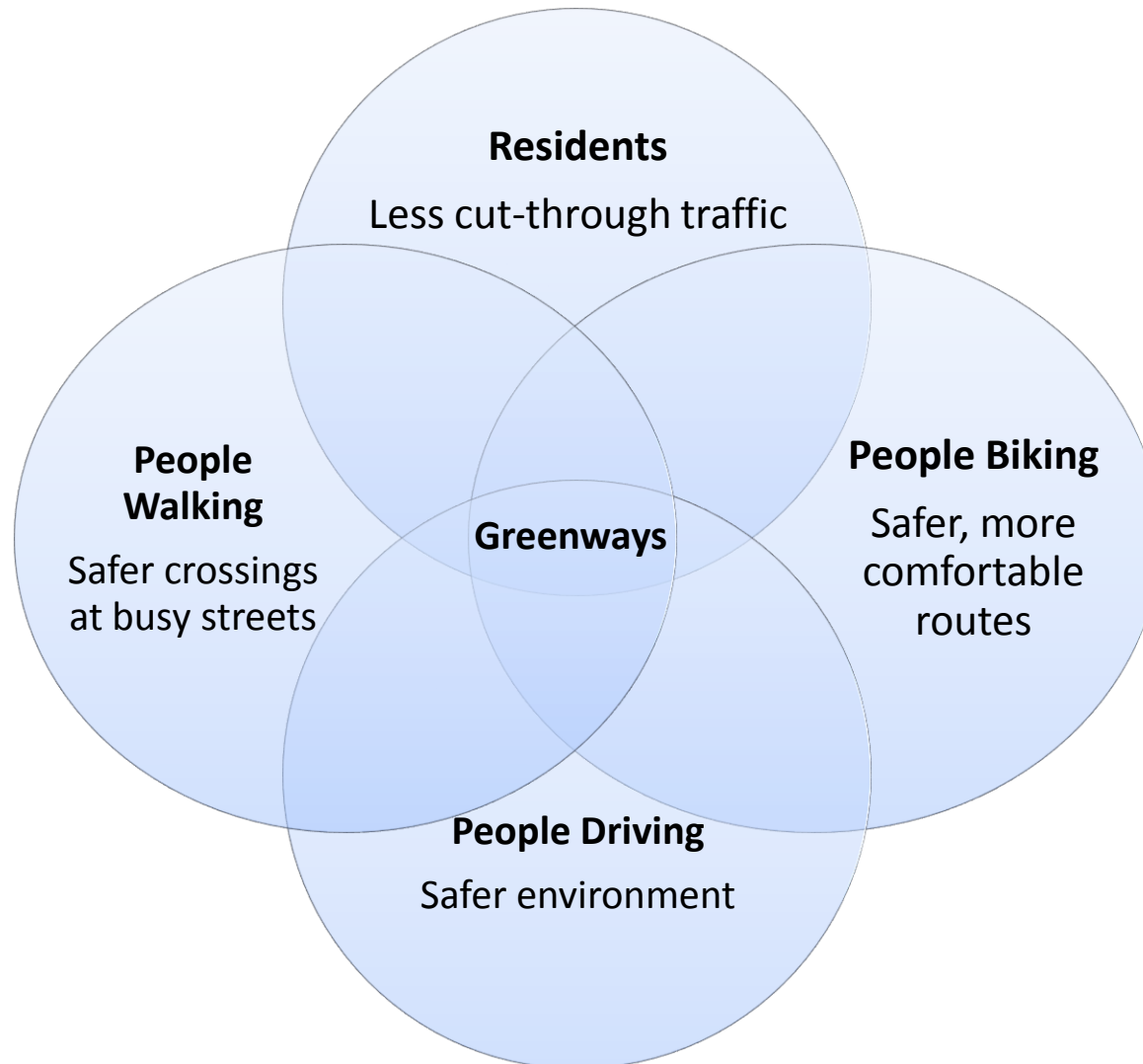
Safety

Seattle has a goal of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries by 2030.

Our approach: Focus on education, environment, enforcement, evaluation, and empathy



Who Benefits



Greenway

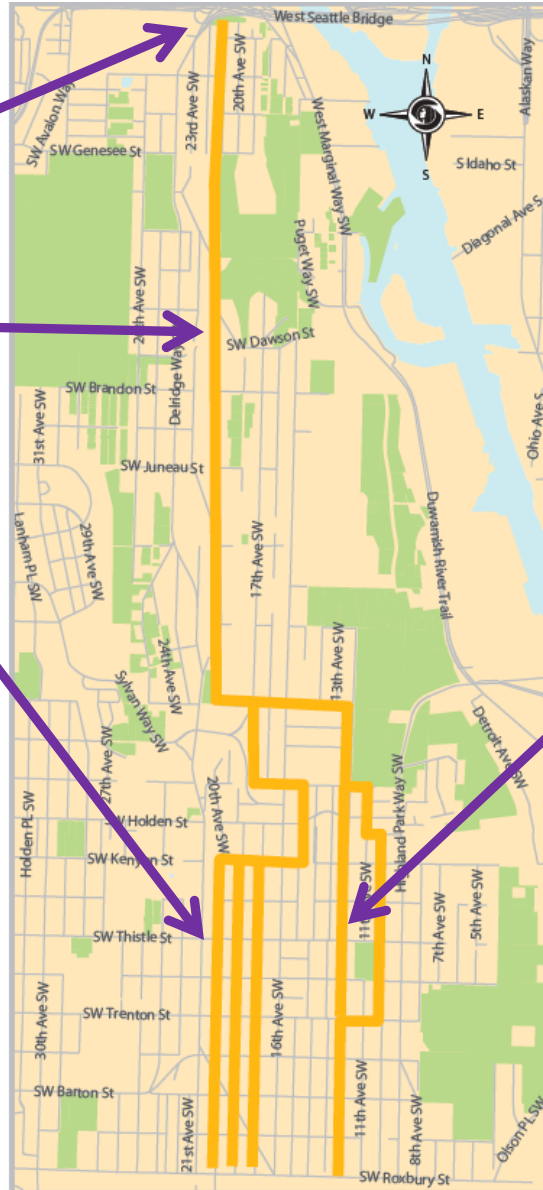
Study Routes

West Seattle Bridge Trail

21st Avenue SW

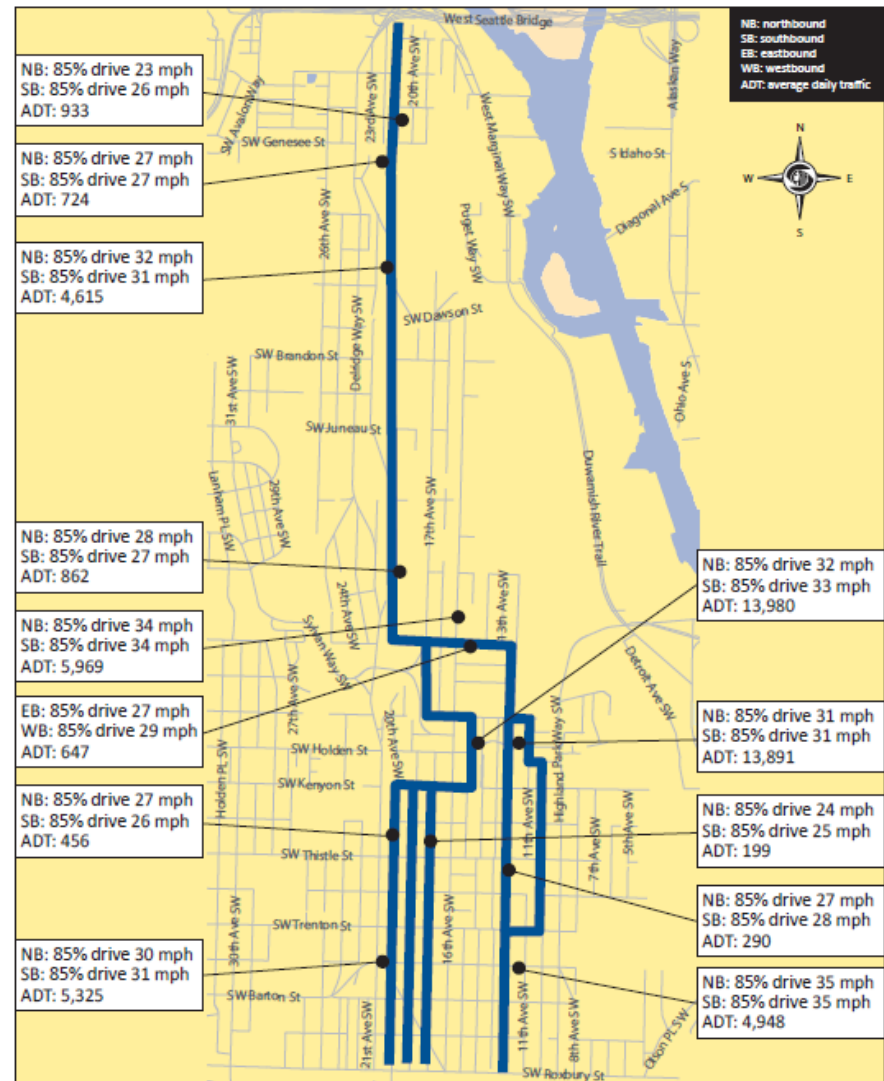
17th/18th/20th Avenues SW

10th/12th Avenues SW



Traffic Data

- Ideal greenway
 - speed is lower than 20 mph
 - volume lower than 1,000 cars/day
- Speed humps can lower speeds



Existing Conditions

- Some “shared” streets, some sidewalks.
- Parking on the shoulder
- Speed humps & traffic circles



Let's hear from you

1. Do you walk or bike in your neighborhood?
2. Why or why not?
3. What changes would make you want to walk or bike more often?
4. Does your block need slower traffic?
5. What streets are the ones where you like to walk and bike the most?

Natural Drainage Systems

- Improves road safety
- More cost-effective



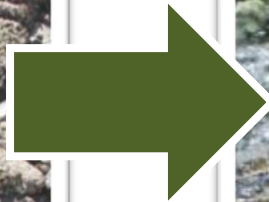
- Creates a street that is more inviting for residents to walk and bike along keeping streets safer

Why Natural Drainage Systems?

- Sewage
- Fertilizers and pesticides
- Oil & metals from cars
- Soap from car washing
- Pet waste

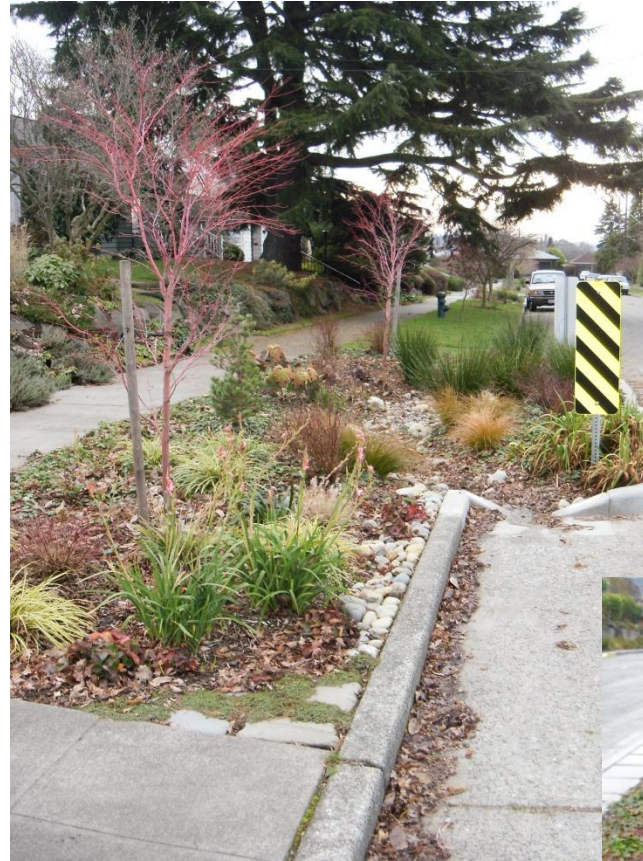


5.3 Million Gallons Sewage



Longfellow Creek

Natural Drainage Systems



Natural Drainage Systems Change Over Time



January



October



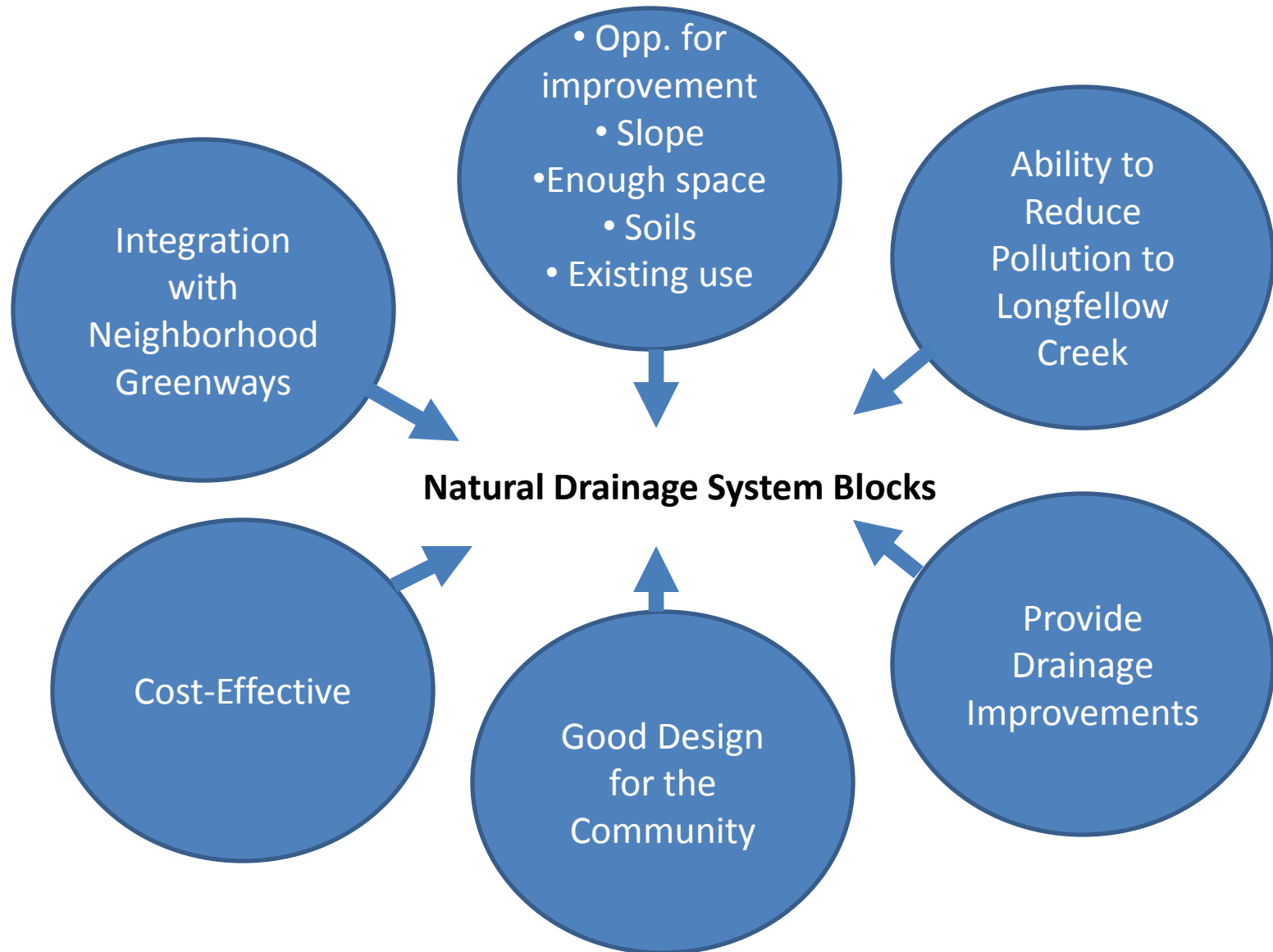
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What are the benefits?

- Less sewage into nearby creek and Puget Sound
- Less stormwater pollutants going into nearby creek and Puget Sound
- Slower traffic/Safer street
- Landscaping along street edge
- Sidewalk if no sidewalk exists
- Drainage improvements



Locating Natural Drainage Systems



What to expect if your block is selected for a Natural Drainage System

- Opportunity to participate in design (Summer 2013 – Summer 2014)
- Potential decrease in parking space on street
- More narrow street – slows traffic
- New landscaping established over 1-2 yrs
- New sidewalk added on one side of the street if no sidewalks existing
- New drainage conveyance if none/little existing
- Soils testing
- Construction impacts in 2015

Maintenance



Project Schedule

- *July 2013*: Initial public meeting
- *Summer 2013*: Meetings with community groups, door-to-door input, and preliminary design
- *Fall/Winter 2013*: Walk & Talk and Second public meeting
- *2014*: Final design
- *2014/2015*: Potential Construction

We want to hear from you

- Do you know of high groundwater, seeps, springs, or flooding along the potential routes and in the neighborhood in general?
- What are your thoughts about a Natural Drainage System on your block?
- What are your thoughts about Natural Drainage Systems on potential Neighborhood Greenway routes?

Thank you!

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